

Touched, Transformed, and Free - NOTES

Gal. 5:1 NIV

In the Christian faith, the phrase "touched, transformed, and free in Christ" refers to the belief that through faith in Jesus Christ, individuals can experience a profound change in their lives, leading to spiritual freedom.

I had come to realize that the change and accompanying fulfillment that I was looking for wasn't something I could bring about myself.

God goes all out and spreads His grace all around us; He changes us completely.

Paul was touched so profoundly that day, he walked away from his prior life and dedicated his life to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Touched by God refers to a powerful, often unexpected, experience where one feels a profound sense of God's presence, love or power while "transformed" describes a more ongoing process of lasting change and spiritual growth leading to freedom

Paul's touch from God, led him to a lifelong journey of transformation, and change, affecting the rest of his life. God's Story became his story!

It is also possible to have an encounter with God, that is a powerful moment of conviction of sin, a feeling of divine love,

and experience of healing, or sudden revelation of truth and remain the same.

John 3:3 NIV Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again”

Matthew 20:29-33

Matt. 20:34 “Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him.”

Mark 1: 40-42

This man was filled with faith at the touch, proclaimed what Jesus did, and while he experienced Jesus’ power, he didn’t choose to follow him in the same way as the other disciples.

Titus 3:4-5 NLT “But— When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit.”

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Transformation is more than simply modifying outward behavior; it's a change that comes from the heart and the Holy Spirit's work.

Gal. 5: 25 NIV

Transformation is about God doing something in me—and me cooperating with Him.

Our ongoing transformation is therefore about living out in real time what has been secured for all time.

Faith is being convinced that God is there and He is for us.

Gal. 5:1 NIV “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.”

2 Cor. 3:17 NIV ...wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is true freedom.

Freedom doesn't come from doing whatever we want but from living according to the Spirit of God - who lives within us.

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